

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Confirmation Number: 7410

Group Art Unit: 3624

Examiner: Karmis, Stefanos

For: **DEPOSITING METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT**

AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

EXTENSION OF TIME

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for a 1 month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136.

FEEES

The fee for claims and extension of time (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

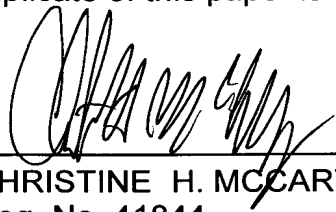
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INDEP.	3	– 3	= 0	x \$ 200.00 = \$ 0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 360.00 = \$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE				\$ 0.00
EXTENSION OF TIME FEE				\$ 120.00
GRAND TOTAL				\$ 120.00

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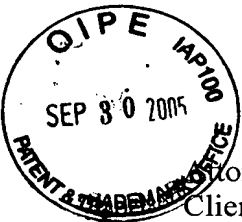
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Title: DEPOSITING METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2005, please reconsider the patentability of the pending claims in the above-identified application for the following reasons.

The Office Action rejected claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Katz et al. (US 6424706; hereafter "Katz") in view of Fournies et al. (US 5854975; hereafter "Fournies"). Applicant traverses the rejection because Katz is not prior art to the present application because Katz was filed March 31, 1999, after the foreign priority date of December 10, 1998 of the present application. As pointed out in the January 15, 2004 Response, because the priority document (Finnish Application FI 982678) was filed in English, there is no need to file a verified English translation to perfect priority. Each of these points was acknowledged in the April 7, 2004 Office Action.

Fournies, by itself, fails to teach or suggest all of the features recited in the claims. Accordingly, the rejection is traversed.

In view of the foregoing, the pending claims are believed to be in form for allowance, and a notice indicating such is hereby solicited. If any point remains in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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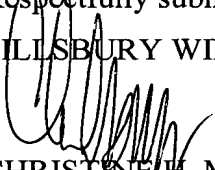
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